

## **Amendments to the Claims:**

providing a microcavity.

Please add the following claims:

- --61. The material of claim 1 additionally comprising a microcavity.
- 62. The optical sensor of claim 19 additionally comprising a microcavity.
- The optical sensing method of claim 22 additionally comprising the step of employing a microcavity.
- 65. The gratingless spectroscopy method of claim 31 additionally comprising the step of

The spectrometer of claim 30 additionally comprising a microcavity.

- 16 66. The optical amplifier of claim 37 additionally comprising a microcavity.
- The optical amplification method of claim 40 additionally comprising the step of providing a microcavity.
  - 15. The optical switch of claim 43 additionally comprising a microcavity.
- The optical switching method of claim 46 additionally comprising the step of providing a microcavity.

70. The sub-femtosecond pulse generation device of claim 59 additionally comprising a

microcavity.

71. The method of generation of sub-femtosecond pulses of claim 60 additionally comprising

the step of providing a microcavity.--